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\$25,000 VERDICT FOR MRS. CHAPMAN AND HER CHILDREN

In Circuit Court here this week Mrs. Belle Chapman and children were given a verdict of \$25,000 against the railroad administration for the death of her husband and father, John Chapman. He was one of the victims of the motor car collision at Buchanan in July, 1918, in which four men were killed and several injured. The case was tried at the June term and a verdict of \$17,000 returned. Neither side was satisfied with the verdict and by agreement the case was tried again. The railroad attorneys have taken steps to appeal.

The murder trial of Frank and Arlie Bradley and Joe DeLong is now on hands. This ends the criminal docket for this term.

The suit of the Louisa Water Company against the city of Louisa has been decided by reducing the water company's claim \$2100, thus sustaining the city in its contention of overcharges.

W. D. BOLT DEAD.

Mr. W. D. Bolt, of Bolt's Fork, one of the best known and most beloved men of that section, died Friday at his home. The deceased was born in Lawrence county, but when just a boy went to Boyd county with his parents where he has resided ever since. He was 78 years of age and is survived by his wife and thirteen children, a large number of grandchildren, great grandchildren and scores of friends.

He was a member of the Methodist church, was an upright, honorable citizen and held in the highest esteem by everyone. His funeral services were held Sunday morning at the Bolt's Fork Methodist church and were largely attended by friends from near and far.

WALBRIDGE

Fred Manen of Beaver creek, was the Sunday guest of John Hatchett and family.

Robert Wilson of R. 1, spent the week-end with home folks.

Rev. A. H. Miller preached here Sunday.

Ottis Ferrell spent Sunday with friends at Clifford.

Mr. and Mrs. Weizie Peters were week-end visitors with Donithon relatives.

Col. J. H. Northrup of Louisa was a visitor at Hilltop Farm Monday.

Lace Williamson, Talmage Wells and Taylor Workman of Rocky Valley attended church and Sunday school here Sunday.

Misses Jock See and Marie Holt will entertain a few of their friends with a Halloween party Friday evening at the Holt home.

Ralph Ferrell will carry the mail on Route 2, beginning Saturday and will continue during the vacation of our rural carrier, Mr. W. W. See.

Mrs. Luther T. Peters of Portsmouth was a recent guest of Mrs. G. G. Peters.

Mrs. Jock See visited Ashland relatives Thursday returning home Friday.

Dr. L. H. York of Louisa was a professional visitor here Friday evening.

Henry H. See is working in telegraph office at Catalla.

Harlan Boothe is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. John Hays of Busseyville recently visited Mrs. Laud Holt.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Estep and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wellman of Kistler, W. Va., are here to see their mother, Mrs. Reuben Wellman, who remains quite ill.

Louis's Financial Condition Much Improved

Louis's tax rate was reduced by the City Council last year from 75 cents to 60 cents, and the levy for 1920 has been further reduced to 59 cents on the \$100 worth of property. This is the lowest rate for many years.

All the bonded indebtedness has been paid.

There is \$2200 in the Treasury, and \$2000 due from a former marshal, with a good bond to secure it, and suit to enforce it.

By suit the city is relieved of the expense of 21 sprinkling plugs heretofore charged for by the water company. 8 of them were private plugs, 9 not available for use, and 4 not ordered by the city.

BLADNE

Farmers are very busy trying to get their corn out of the low ground since we are having so much rain.

Several from this place went to the oil fields Sunday to see the new well shot. Reports say it is the best well yet.

Dr. John Gambill was a business visitor in Louisa last week.

Mrs. Ethel Osborn and Mrs. Darnon are visiting friends and relatives in Louisa.

Herbert Hewlett and Willie Kouns spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks.

Wm. Kitchen and Mrs. James Kitchen have gone to Louisa to see their sister who is very sick.

Mrs. Hester Holton spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. M. M. Bates.

Mrs. Mollie Swetnam was calling on Mrs. Nannie Swetnam one day last week.

WEDDING AT CADMUS.

A very beautiful wedding occurred Sunday, Oct. 19, and was somewhat a surprise to the many friends of the young couple.

The bride was Miss Maude Queen, the only child of Mrs. Hattie Queen, of Fallsburg. She is worthy of any man's love and to know her is to love her. She wore a suit of white satin and looked very charming.

The groom is Mr. W. D. Kelly, only son of Rev. H. Kelly, and is a worthy young man. Their many friends wish them success in life and a flowery path to tread.

A FRIEND.

BACK FROM THE NAVY.

Henry Akers is here for a week's visit after having been discharged from the navy in Pittsburgh Monday. He is the son of Dan Akers, formerly of Zelida, this county, and who now lives in Oklahoma. Henry will go to his father's home next week.

While in the navy he made seven round trips across the ocean, visiting ports in Russia, England and France and several points along the Mediterranean.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Society met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. M. F. Conley. There were twenty-one in attendance. Mrs. Nora Sullivan, who is a member, but has been away from Louisa the past few years, was among the number. Mrs. J. T. Pope, wife of the pastor of the Baptist church, was a pleasant visitor.

During the social hour Mrs. Conley served a salad course.

LOST LIFE IN JUMPING FREIGHT.

Edward Hall, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall, of Prestonsburg, while attempting to jump a freight train Saturday afternoon fell under the train and both feet were crushed off. He was carried to the hospital at Louisa and died soon after reaching here. His body was taken Sunday to his home near Prestonsburg for burial.

BRICK OF HIGH QUALITY TO BE MADE

Lawrence county is coming to the front in more ways than the oil business.

A fine grade of clay on the Torchlight Coal Company's lands has been tested and found suitable for making first class building brick. The deposit of clay on this property is very extensive, amounting to millions of tons. The excellent quality of coal mined on this property makes the situation ideal for a brick plant.

A company is being organized to put in a brick plant having a capacity of fifty to eighty thousand per day. On our fifth page this week you will find further particulars about this company.

This is an enterprise that deserves the encouragement of the citizens of this county. The high grade brick business has a great future. The increasing scarcity and cost of lumber is forcing builders to the use of brick more largely all the time. The grade of building brick that can be produced from this clay will find a ready market at profitable prices for the better class of buildings.

Push it along.

Lobaco Company Now Taking Orders for Bread

The new bakery will be ready to fill orders Saturday, Nov. 1st, and would be glad to have orders sent in immediately. The quality will be fine and everybody should buy Lobaco bread. Ask your merchant to give you Lobaco products and no other kind. An enterprise as complete and up to date as this plant deserves unanimous support.

ESTEP

Miss Madge Queen visited Miss Ella Queen Saturday night.

Miss Lula Powers entertained a number of her friends Sunday evening. Among them were Misses Nora Elswick, Ella Queen, Madge Queen and Messrs. James Davis, Richard Workman, John Elswick and Delbert Powers.

J. E. Queen and family will soon move to Greenup county.

Misses Ella Queen and Lula Powers will leave soon for Kansas, where they will visit Miss Queen's brother.

TWO BLACK EYES.

HUBBARDSTOWN

Fred Stewart of Webbville was visiting friends here recently.

Miss Lizzie Hutchison and Mr. and Mrs. Everette Billups were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bellomy Sunday.

Miss Ruth Shepherd, who has been visiting relatives at Webbville, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Kate Wellman and Mrs. Vena Biggs were visiting relatives in Lincoln county last week.

The showboat was here again Tuesday night.

Miss Opal Mead is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shepherd and Roy Shepherd were business callers at Louisa Tuesday.

Let us hear from Orr.

SUNSHINE.

M. E. CHURCH.

Services are being held regularly at this church since the arrival of the pastor, Rev. J. D. Haggard.

MR. SKAGGS' HAND BILL.

Newcomb, Ky., Oct. 27.

Big Sandy News.

I see L. W. Skaggs has a hand bill out to the voters. He says he is a school teacher and wants a higher salary. In other words he wants to go to the Legislature and help grab off a bigger salary for himself. Let Shannon do it. He will not be embarrassed in asking for a raise for teachers because he is not one.

My friend Skaggs, (known here as "Windy") is badly mistaken when he says the present tax laws allows the rich to put money in bank without taxation. He doesn't know anything about the facts. Every dollar deposited in the banks now is taxed and the banks are held responsible for the taxes. The result is that the State is collecting several times as much taxes on money under the new law as under the old. Some parts of the law may need revising, but not this part.

Windy tries to fool the farmer by saying the farmer pays the taxes. He pays the same rates as everybody else, except on live stock, which has a very low rate of tax, a favor that the old law did not grant the farmer.

He says "Shannon is worth a whole lot of money and don't need the office." What a joke! I'll bet Shannon wishes he was worth as much as Windy says he is.

"He don't need the office." From this we infer that Skaggs needs it. Wonder how Windy is going to make enough money out of it to justify a plea that he "needs the office." The Legislature meets only once during the two years term for which a representative is elected. He gets pay only for the actual number of days the Legislature is in session and the extreme limit of a term under the constitution is 60 days. Therefore \$500 is the total of salary for the two years. Living in Frankfort is very expensive.

Evidently, Skaggs has been misinformed as to the salary of this office, or he has some plan that he has not divulged for making it pay.

The Legislature will be Democratic and Shannon will have enough influence to get what the people want, including a raise in teacher Skaggs' salary and a reduction in farmer Skaggs' taxes so as to fix him both ways, "a comin' and a gwine."

Vote for Shannon.

Very Respectfully,

WINDY'S NEIGHBOR.

Free Lecture at the Court House Tonight

Miss Maude M. Aldrich, of Chicago, will lecture on prohibition at the court house in Louisa Thursday night of this week, 7:30, Oct. 30th. She is one of the best entertainers on the platform today and everybody should hear her.

BID FOR NITRO PROJECT ACCEPTED BY CROWELL

Assistant Secretary Crowell has approved the bid of the Charleston Development Company for the government powder plant and development project at Nitro, W. Va. The company bid \$3,551,000. The plant cost the government \$70,000,000.

THE WOMANLESS WEDDING.

The court house was packed last Friday night to see the wedding. It was a very laughable affair. The proceeds were \$165.

TWO MORE GOOD WELLS AT BLAINE

A well drilled in on the Dr. John Gambill lease by the Union Company in the upper Blaine field of Lawrence county is reported to be as good as the best ones in that field, some of which are doing 90 barrels per day.

Yesterday Dr. V. V. Adkins, of Ashland brought in the first well on Dr. C. B. Rice's land and it shows up very good. A shot was ordered immediately. This well is quite a distance from the Union Company's wells and is important in showing an extension of the field.

Drilling is very active around Louisa. New rigs coming in rapidly.

POINT NEWS

Miss Susie Thornhill was visiting friends at Drift, Ky. Saturday and Sunday.

Hansel See, son of Jim See, has diphtheria at this writing.

Lee Shannon and Lyle Cox were calling on friends at Louisa Saturday.

Mig Bessie Moore is contemplating a visit to Mechanicsburg, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie See were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Dave See Sunday.

Several boys attended the ball game at Mr. Moore's Saturday. Point boys winning.

Dewey and Connie Moore were calling on Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Moore Sunday night.

Allen Thornhill is expecting to return to Columbus, Ohio, soon.

Carla Lyman was calling on Miss Garnet Hartman Sunday.

Susie Thornhill and Velda See attended meeting at Louisa Saturday night.

Claude Thompson is no better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Moore have gone to Chicago on their honeymoon.

Bessie Moore spent a few days with Mrs. Nora Dixon last week.

To the Voters of the City of Louisa:

I request that you do not vote for me for City Councilman as I do not want the office and would not accept it if elected.

K. R. BOLT.

COAL MINERS TO STRIKE NOV. 1ST

Union coal miners are ordered to strike Saturday of this week for a six hour day, a five day week and 60 per cent increase in wages, the most outrageous demand ever made by any organization. Miners are already making the highest wages ever before obtained, except when a strike by railroad men or other labor organizations cause the mines to close for lack of cars.

President Wilson has declared he will use the power of the government to protect the public from this outrage, and newspapers and officials everywhere are applauding his stand.

The union has a contract that does not expire until next April, but it is being treated as a scrap of paper.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

Deep interest was occasioned at the announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Daisy Peters, of Westmoreland, and Mr. Wilfred Ferguson, of Norfolk, Va., the wedding to take place Saturday, Nov. 1st, at the Vinson home near Westmoreland. The bride-elect who is widely popular, is the daughter of the late W. D. Peters, of Fort Gay, W. Va., and granddaughter of Mrs. S. S. Vinson.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

If the new pastor of the M. E. Church South, Rev. Bell, should not arrive by next Sunday, Rev. E. M. Kennison will preach next Sunday morning.

Rev. Bell has been appointed to this work and has accepted. He is expected to arrive soon.

MRS. BRECKINRIDGE AT LOUISA.

Mrs. Desha Breckinridge, of Lexington, spoke in Louisa Thursday afternoon of this week in favor of woman suffrage. She is a very able and interesting speaker, having inherited talents along this line from her great grandfather, Henry Clay.

HON. L. Y. REDWINE.

Mr. Redwine spoke in Louisa Thursday afternoon in the interest of the Democratic ticket. He is a fluent and forceful speaker.

THE ROAD TAX.

The 20c road tax is to be voted on in Lawrence county at the election next Tuesday. Do not overlook it when you are voting. The officials want it to build some much needed bridges and to insure a sufficient sinking fund for paying off the bonds and interest.

PIERCE-BROWN.

Miss Eliza Pierce and Mr. John Clarence Brown are to be married at Clermont, Florida, on November 11. The bride-to-be is well remembered here as the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pierce.

TO PAVE LOUISA

A bond issue to pave the streets of Louisa will be voted on at the election next Tuesday. Look for the proposition on your city ballot.

If Louisa intends to wake up and go forward, this is the first step to take. Pave the streets. No town amounts to much until it paves. Louisa can afford it just as well as any other town. In fact, she can't afford to go much longer without paving. The oil development is just starting and if we are to keep step with the progress we must improve in every way.

The law requires the city to proceed in this way to pave its streets.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

All the services Sunday were very impressive. After promotion day in the Sunday school the work started off nicely with good attendance and renewed interest in each class. The offering amounted to \$10.19. Special music consisted of a solo by Mr. M. S. Burns followed by "Jesus Loves Me This I Know" sweetly sung by the children of the primary department of which Mrs. R. L. Vinson is superintendent.

Mr. A. O. Carter spoke in appreciation of the pastor, Rev. H. O. Chambers, who was leaving Monday for the south. Brother Chambers has taken a very active part in the Sunday school in the past two years, inaugurating new plans and doing much of the work himself. He loves the pupils of the school and knows them all by name. They much regret his going. Mr. Carter stated that as some of the children would be in school the next day those who desired to bid Brother Chambers goodbye and wish him well could do so then, to which all of the 140 or more in the room responded by shaking hands with him.

The pastor preached excellent sermons at both the morning and evening services. "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" was the text in the morning.

Violin music by Miss Kizzie Clay Burns and a duet by Misses Elizabeth Burgess and Elizabeth Yates were the special numbers in music.

After the sermon Ella Marie and Hazel Kinstler, only children of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Kinstler, were baptized and received into the church in a very sweet and impressive service. They are among the faithful Sunday School children, some of whom united with the church a short time ago.

A large and attentive congregation was present. Owing to the inclemency of the weather not so many attended at the evening hour, but those who did heard a splendid sermon on "Ambassadors for Christ."

EASTERN STARS.

Mrs. Josephine Spencer was in Lebanon this week attending the annual meeting of the Kentucky Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. The delegates from over the State met there on Monday and remained through Thursday. The meeting was to have been held in Lebanon October 19th, but owing to the influenza epidemic was postponed until this fall.

Mrs. Spencer has the honor of being the first delegate to a state gathering from Louisa Chapter which was installed only a short time ago.

Mrs. Lon Wellman went as a delegate from the Pikeville chapter.

CHURCH RECEPTION.

The reception at the M. E. Church South last Thursday night in honor of Rev. H. O. Chambers and family was attended by a large number of people and very much enjoyed by all of them. The ladies served delicious ice cream, cake and coffee to everybody.

Rev. Chambers and family left for Alabama Monday morning, carrying with them the best wishes of hosts of friends.

A MOUNTAIN SOLDIER ANSWER'S MORROW'S APPEAL

John McDaniel, a soldier of West, Ky., sent Edwin P. Morrow an answer to the letter Morrow sent to all the soldiers just returned from the war telling them that "something is the matter with Kentucky," and that the way to straighten it out is to vote for Morrow for Governor.

Mr. McDaniel said: I am a Republican, and, of course, I can't cast my vote for a coward. You failed to meet Mr. Black on the stump.

POLITICAL AFFAIRS IN OLD KENTUCKY

In 1910 five farmers in Grant county, Ky., got together and pooled their tobacco for a higher price. They were indicted under the anti-trust laws and convicted, although the big Tobacco Trust operating factories was not molested. Ed. Morrow was appointed U. S. District Attorney before the cases were disposed of and the records at Washington show that he protested against the pardon of these farmers.

President Taft pardoned them in the face of Morrow's protest. Now he is out asking the farmers to vote for him; and his running mate is S. Thurston Ballard, the millionaire miller of Louisville who takes toll twice from Kentuckians when they go to mill.

The only Republican newspaper in this Legislative district has commented favorably upon the candidacy of E. E. Shannon for Representative.

A reliable citizen of Louisa was in Louisville last week. A friend invited him into a saloon to have a bottle of beer. He drank it while the friend was served over the bar with whisky, in open violation of the law. Dozens of saloons are running there. The policemen are instructed to pass them by and not interfere. Why? A. T. Hert, millionaire political boss of Louisville, manager of the Republican party in Kentucky, is in full charge there. The saloon men and the wet element controlled by them are supporting Ed. Morrow and the Republican State ticket in return for the privilege of selling liquor without license in violation of the laws intended to make the entire United States dry.

Will the thousands of sincere dry Republicans in the country districts and country towns of Kentucky vote into the hands of such a rotten gang of outlaws as this? They should vote for James D. Black, a clean, consistent dry man who would not make such an unholy bargain.

Mr. Ballard, Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, admitted before the Kentucky High Court of Living Commission appointed by Governor James D. Black that he sold his flour in the city of New Orleans, La. at \$1.10 a barrel less than he sold the same flour to the citizens of his home city. In other words, he is making a profit of \$1.10 a barrel on his flour beyond a fair price, for it is not to be believed that a business man like Mr. Ballard would sell flour in New Orleans and pay 46 cents a barrel freight on it to that city at less than a fair profit. If the New Orleans price is a fair profit then the \$1.10 extra paid by Kentuckians for Mr. Ballard's flour represents the amount of profiteering by the Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor at the expense of the people of his home state and his home city.

Fred K. Blackburn, a Republican of Stanton, Ky., is a member of the non-partisan board controlling the State Fair. He is in direct touch with the expense accounts and knows every item paid out, including Mat Cohen's expenses. He says they are correct and proper.

Affidavits from merchants concerned in the sale of cloth to the Reform School and the Frankfort Reformatory, and from Armstrong, F. T. Hatcher and others, show that the cloth purchased was much superior to the sample Howell referred to. Also, Tabb & Austin, of Elizabethtown, swear they shipped the cloth to Greendale by mistake. The Baldwins, who formerly furnished the cloth for these institutions, had raised their price to \$2.35 per yard on account of war conditions.

A REPUBLICAN INDORSES

HON. E. E. SHANNON

Torchlight, Ky., Oct. 28, 1919.

Editor Big Sandy News, Louisa, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Please allow me space in your paper for a short letter. To begin with I am a Republican, but not such a party man that I am a fanatic that where a person deserves worthy mention because he is not of my political faith, I do not hesitate to commend them, and I think it worth my while or that of any other man, to throw flowers and speak a good word for the living. It is much better than to decorate a grave or eulogize after a man is dead.

My letter is in support of the candidacy of Mr. E. E. Shannon for Representative. I do not believe that a better man for the people could be sent to the Legislature—because he is a business man that has been successful and the interest in the welfare of the people will be their interest as well and just as much as it will be to his personal interest. In fact they will be mutual. Furthermore, Mr. Shannon will be a man that will stand pat for his constituents and will demand to be heard and will not be suppressed in his right of speech; in fact he will DO THINGS.

His platform is common sense and should elect him without any other thing being said. I will just mention some of the headings.

Education.

I know a number of poor children who are not able to go to school because they do not have the books nor the money to buy them, and if they had the advantages and books there might possibly be developed not only one, but maybe many men who would be a blessing to Lawrence and Elliott counties and to the world. The material is there and here, it is just dormant. The duration of the school term is short, in fact the children hardly get started before they are aware that school is out. No justice in it at all, so that the child in the rural districts only gets a meagre education at the best.

Roads.

The reason there are not any roads in the county, is the system of working